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BY HAND

Honorable Vernon A. Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, NW Washington, DC 20423

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Re:

STB Finance Docket No. 33388 (Sub-No. 99), Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway Co. – Petition for Exemption – Purchase of the Toledo Pivot Bridge – Norfolk Southern Railway Co.

Dear Secretary Williams:

On August 20, 2004, Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway Co. filed with the Surface Transportation Board in the above-referenced proceeding a Certificate of Posting, in connection with the labor notice requirements at 49 C.F.R. § 1150.32(e). The Certificate of Posting contained a facsimile signature. Enclosed with this letter is a Certificate of Posting containing an original signature.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by date-stamping the enclosed acknowledgment copy and returning it to our messenger.

Very truly yours,

Troy W. Garris

Enclosure

BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

STB FINANCE DOCKET NO. 33388
(Sub-No. 99)
WHEELING & LAKE ERIE RAILWAY CO.

PETITION FOR EXEMPTION —
PURCHASE OF THE TOLEDO PIVOT BRIDGE
NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY CO.



CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

I hereby certify that on August 17, 2004, in connection with the labor notice requirements at 49 C.F.R. § 1150.32(e), I posted the attached Notice to Employees on the employee bulletin board at the meeting room in the Norfolk Southern offices in Toledo, Ohio. On that date, I also sent the notice to the home of the bridge operator who is the sole NS employee on the Toledo Pivot Bridge. On August 20, 2004, another copy of the notice was posted at the bridge.

Norman E. Schultz B&B Supervisor

Norfolk Southern Railway Company

Date: August 20, 2004